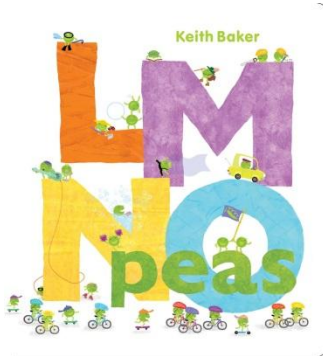


Reorder

Ivan: The Remarkable True Story of the Shopping Mall Gorilla—Katherine Applegate

Picture Books

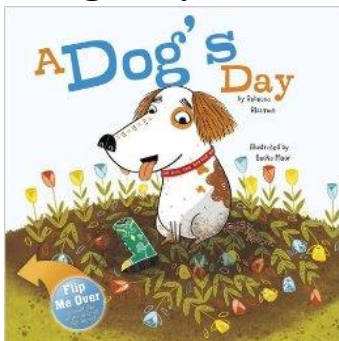
LMNO Peas—Keith Baker



A rhyming alphabet book that explores Who We Are. Each letter depicts vocations/characteristics the peas are displaying: “K: We’re kickers, kayakers, and some of us are kings.” We also have a counting and a color book from the “Peas” series in the library, in case you want to pair them.

Grades K-1

A Dog’s Day—Rebeca Rissman



Read about Rusty the dog’s daylong adventure, then flip the book over and read a second story about his owner Rosie searching for him, until both stories meet in the middle of the book, when they are reunited. Useful for covering point of view with the younger grades.

Grades K-1

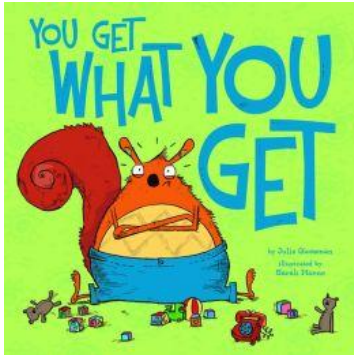
Two—Kathryn Otoshi



A number book with a friendship narrative. Also incorporates colors, as well as evens/odds.

Grades K-2

You Get What You Get—Jule Gassman

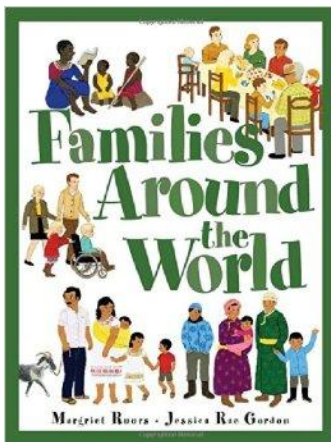


Melvin the squirrel has a hard time adjusting to his teacher's rule: "You get what you get and you don't throw a fit." Can use to explore the topic of needs versus wants.

Grades K-2

Non-Fiction

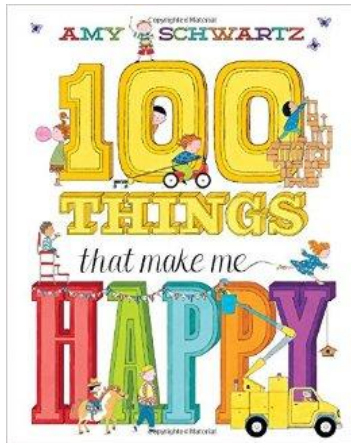
Families Around the World—Margriet Ruurs



Presents 14 fictional children from different countries, detailing what their daily life is like, told in the first person. Presents diversity in many ways (race, worship, physical ability, etc.). Each child's story covers two pages with large illustrations. Includes discussion/activity suggestions.

Grades K-2

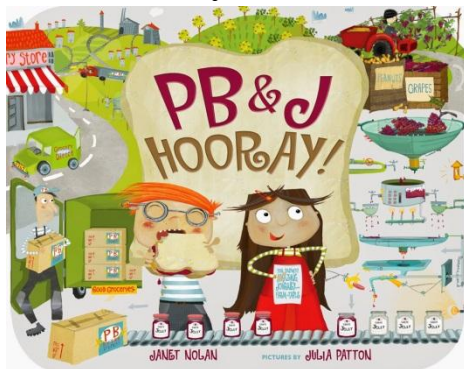
100 Things That Make Me Happy—Amy Schwartz



100 everyday things to be happy/grateful for, presented in rhyming groupings with colorful illustrations.

Grades K-2

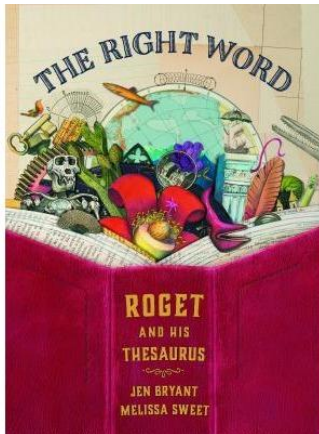
PB&J Hooray—Janet Nolan



Explores how the peanut butter, jelly, and bread we use to make a sandwich become available to us through a series of inquiries: “But where does the grocery store get the food? But where do the bakeries and factories get the ingredients to make the food? But what do farmers need to get their crops to grow?”

Grades 1-4

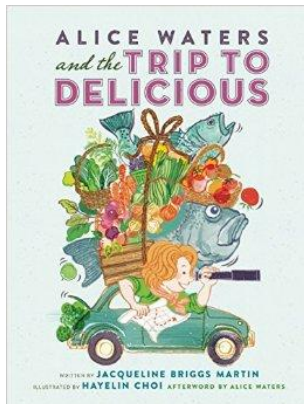
The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus—Jen Bryant



A wonderful picture book biography revealing how Roget's personality and natural curiosity led to the creation of the thesaurus. The book discusses how Roget knew there was power in knowing words and intentionally wrote his thesaurus to be read by people from all walks of life. Incredible detailed, collage-style illustrations, which you may know from the same illustrator who created Balloons Over Broadway.

Grades 2-4

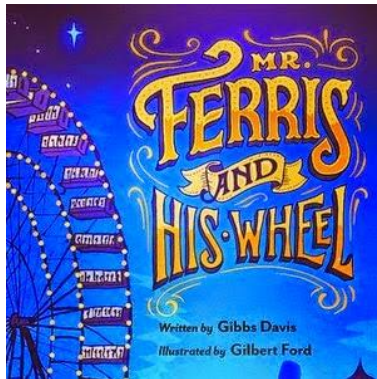
Alice Waters and the Trip to Delicious—Jacqueline Briggs Martin



This picture book biography touches on how Alice Waters loved “real” food from a young age and why she insists on using fresh food in her restaurants. Talks a lot about nutrition and the edible schoolyard gardens movement.

Grades 2-4

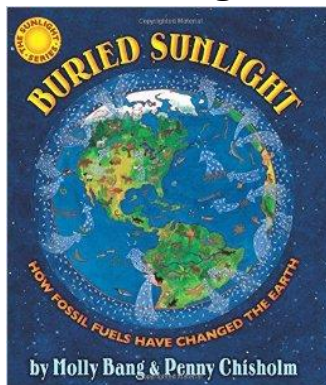
Mr. Ferris and His Wheel—Kathryn Davis



The story of how American engineer George Ferris's imaginative concept for the 1893 Chicago World's Fair overcame many challenges and critics. Wonderful illustrations, along with historical notes accompany the engaging storyline (ex: the illuminated ferris wheel helped to calm fears at the time about the use of electricity domestically).

Grades 2-4

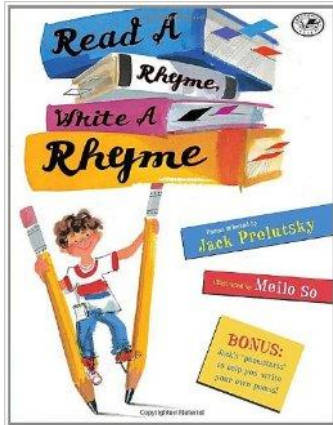
Buried Sunlight: How Fossil Fuels Have Changed the Earth—Molly Bang



An accessible presentation on the origin of fossil fuels, how they are used by humans, and what are some of the implications of their use. Wonderful paintings that draw readers in, while also conveying information.

Grades 2-4

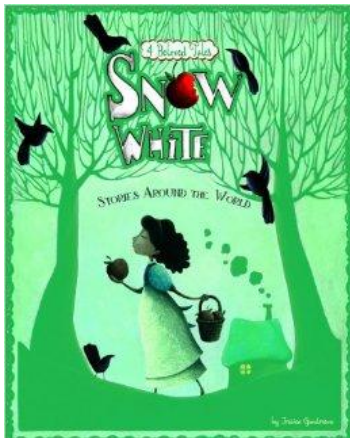
Read a Rhyme, Write a Rhyme—Jack Prelutsky



This well-known children's poet is now encouraging kids to write their own poetry. The book presents a group of poems (by various authors) on ten different topics. Prelutsky then begins an original poem on that same topic, asking kids to complete it. He includes some possible rhyming words or directions to go with the poem as a guide for reluctant writers.

Grades 2-4

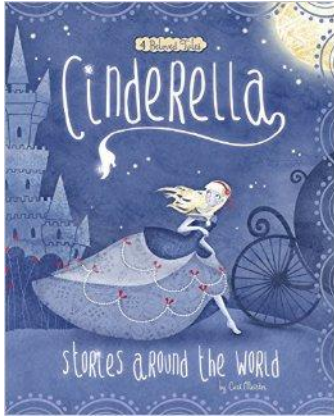
Snow White: Stories Around the World—Jessica Gunderson



4 versions of Snow White from around the world: Germany, Albania, Mozambique, Turkey. Includes discussion questions and writing prompts aligned with the Common Core.

Grades 3-4 Lexile 580L

Cinderella: Stories Around the World—Cari Meister



4 versions of Cinderella from around the world: France, the Micmac Tribe of N.A., China, Egypt. Includes discussion questions and writing prompts aligned with the Common Core.

Grades 3-4 Lexile 600L